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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") on October 27, 2006, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on April 27, 2007. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.